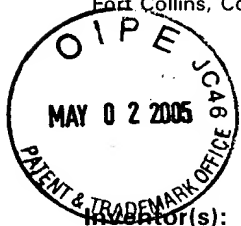


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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE DISCOVERY AND CONFIGURATION OF A  
NETWORK DEVICE

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See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified applicaiton.

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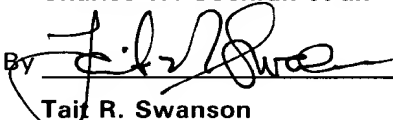
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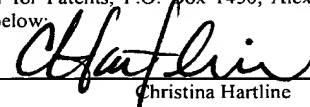
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT AND  
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Dear Sir:

Applicants have elected to file a Request for Continued Examination to further prosecute the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, this communication addresses the arguments advanced by the Examiner in the Final Office Action mailed January 25, 2005. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the above-identified application in the light of the following amendments and remarks.